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# Compton's Dahlia Farm • Wholesale Growers • Boring, Oregon

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## To Our Customers:

To insure your satisfaction and that of your customers we take pride in selecting only choice tubers for your order. Each tuber is individually inspected just prior to shipping and is carefully packed to insure satisfactory delivery.

### GUARANTEE

We guarantee our dahlia tubers to be true to name and of highest quality. If stock is not completely satisfactory when received, return same at once and your money will be promptly refunded. We want you to be completely satisfied and if for some reason you do have a complaint please advise us within 10 days of receipt of shipment.

### OUR FARM

We are located 20 miles southeast of Portland on Mt. Hood highway, U.S. 26. Visitors are always welcome to inspect our plantings and handling facilities. Blooming time from mid-August to late October.

### STORAGE

Our dahlia clumps are washed clean and separated at digging time. Ventilated storage is held a near constant 50 degrees F. Fungicides are used to control damaging molds.

### CULTURE

Culture varies with locality but a few things are constant in all areas. Plant dahlia tubers about 5 inches deep and horizontal in area of near full sunlight. Water heavily at planting time and thereafter as needed for optimum growth. Pinching the top terminal shoot from dahlia plant after four sets of leaves have developed will cause branching and development of more and better quality blooms without staking.

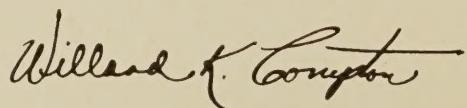
### WHEN ORDER ARRIVES

If freezing weather prevails along the shipping route it is a good idea to check your shipment at once for frost damage. If damage is evident contact your carrier agency at once and advise us of their decision. Present your invoice and carrier bill of lading to them for any claims. We ship by insured carriers and any claims for damage en route must be submitted to them. Store your dahlias in a cool dry place that has good ventilation. It is important to keep the tubers stored in their shipping medium or similar material to eliminate shriveling. When displaying the tubers for sale, display only a moderate number and keep the main supply covered. Do not display dahlias in sunlight or near a heating unit.

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Prices are all F.O.B. Gresham, Oregon. New accounts please send cash with order. Net thirty days. No charge for packing materials or shipping containers. We ship via Express or Auto Freight unless otherwise instructed. We ship in lightweight wirebound or cardboard containers. If delivery by parcel post is desired please include sufficient postage with your remittance. Excess postage will be refunded.

COMPTON'S DAHLIA FARM



#### ILLUSTRATED ON THE FRONT COVER:

A group of small, choice Cactus and Miniatures.

Top to bottom: ST. THERESE, TIP, ANDRIE'S ORANGE, COMTESSE, I.K.E.

# Large Decorative Dahlias

**FD—FORMAL DECORATIVE**—Double flowers, full to the center, usually with flat petals, often rounded at the tips, and regular in arrangement.

**ID—INFORMAL DECORATIVE**—Double flowers, full to the center, usually with long twisted petals, and often irregular in arrangement.

The large decorative type dahlias are the most popular and are available in most every color and blend but blue and a true black. Sizes under this heading range from six to 14 inches in diameter.

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of		25	100		Ea. in lots of	
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<b>Aglow</b> (ID) 10 in. warm amber, heavily suffused with scarlet to the center of each petal. Open grower, long stems.....	.30	.25					
<b>Alice May</b> (ID) 10 in. pure white giant. Ideal stems and a vigorous grower. A standout in the garden.....	.30	.25					
<b>Azura</b> (ID) 12 in. giant clear lilac. A huge and vigorous exhibition dahlia with very strong growth habits....	.22	.18					
<b>Avalon</b> (FD) 8 in. pure canary yellow on medium bush with exceptional foliage. Profuse and early to bloom .22		.18					
<b>Blue Moon</b> (FD) 10 in. giant of deep lavender with purple florets to the center. Very striking and showy .25		.21					
<b>Bellegos Glory</b> (FD) 8 in. blooms of rich mahogany with each petal tipped gold. Outstanding for basket work and an ideal keeper when cut.....	.30	.25					
<b>Blue River</b> (FD) 10 in. medium lavender with an overall silver sheen and with silver reverse. Large and very showy .....	.22	.18					
<b>Calif. Idol</b> (ID) 10 in. medium yellow giant. A favorite .25		.21					
<b>Century of Progress</b> (FD) 10 in. clear elks purple of exceptional richness. Bush is medium and very healthy .....	.22	.18					
<b>Chas. L. Mastick</b> (FD) 10 in. compact blooms of bronze with shades of orange to the center. Blooms are deep and very full, often appearing near round in shape .....	.22	.18					
<b>Cherokee Brave</b> (ID) 12 in. giant oxblood red that holds its color well in the sun. An easy one to grow to size .....	.30	.25					
<b>Cinnamon Beauty</b> (ID) 10 in. clear cinnamon on long strong stems. Very striking autumn color.....	.30	.25					
<b>Clara Carder</b> (ID) 12 in. giant cyclamen pink. Very vigorous on low to medium bush. Choice for its size .22		.18					
<b>Clariam Kelton</b> (ID) 10 in. flame red blended with yellow and with streaked red and yellow reverse. Shaggy blooms .....	.25	.21					
<b>Commando</b> (FD) 10 in. giant Tyrian purple. Sturdy, medium grower with dark green foliage.....	.25	.21					
<b>Coronation Day</b> (ID) 12 in. giant soft peach yellow, shading to caramel and with a distinct light center. Turning semi-cactus late in season, we consider this among the most beautiful in our planting.....			.75		Net		
<b>Croydon Chief</b> (ID) huge 10 in. blooms of medium lavender with a heavy suffusion of rose. Shaggy blooms are very outstanding and showy.....				.25	.21		
<b>Croydon Glory</b> (FD) 12 in. giant lemon yellow. Naturally a very large bloomer and blooms are always full to center.....			.22	.18			
<b>Darcy Sainsbury</b> (FD) 10 in. pure white. Bush is medium to low with blooms supported on fine stems. A favorite.....				.25	.21		
<b>Dave Platt</b> (FD) 6 in. white with mallow pink center .25							
<b>Deep Velvet</b> (FD) 10 in. deep velvet red to near black at the center. Very vigorous and winner of many awards .....			.35	.30			
<b>Dixie Winedot</b> (ID) 10 in. white wavy petals flecked and dotted deep rose. Winner of many medals and probably among the most interesting of all bicolors .35				.30			
<b>El Rubio</b> (ID) 10 in. shaggy giant of rich ruby red with an overlay of purple. The favorite of many at shows .30				.25			
<b>Gallant Fox</b> (ID) 8 in. dark claret red on medium bush .18							
<b>Haslerova</b> (FD) 8 in. creamy white flecked and plashed purple. A very vigorous grower with deep green foliage .....			.30	.25			
<b>Hills Supreme</b> (ID) 10 in. rich, clear rose pink. A favorite with many for basket work. Good keeper when cut .....			.22	.18			
<b>Hunts Velvet Wonder</b> (ID) 10 in. plum purple with a soft velvet sheen overall.....			.25	.21			
<b>Jane Cowl</b> (ID) 10 in. warm buff and old gold blending to a rich apricot at the center. An outstanding old favorite .....			.22	.18			
<b>Joan Ferenz</b> (ID) 11 in. seedling of Jane Cowl. Canary yellow, lightly suffused rose red. Exceptionally healthy growth habits with fine textured foliage.....			.25	.21			
<b>King George</b> (FD) 12 in. soft orange with yellow reverse. Flower is shallow but full to the center and huge .....			.25	.21			
<b>Lois Walcher</b> (FD) 8 in. true bi-color of rich pansy purple, heavily tipped with white. A favorite of many .....			.22	.18			

**NOTICE:** Ten Tubers of a variety at the 25 rate, 50 at the 100 rate. Write for larger quantity prices.  
No less than 5 of a variety.

## Large Decorative Dahlias, Cont.

<b>Marshalls Pink</b> (FD) 8 in. soft mallow pink cutflower. Long stems and lush green foliage. Very popular.....	.22	.18
<b>Mayor Otis</b> (ID) 12 in. giant copper and bronze. Massive bloom and bush characteristics. One of the largest .....	.22	.18
<b>Michael Black</b> (ID) 10 in. rhodamine purple. Very vigorous .....	.30	.25
<b>Monarch of the East</b> (ID) 12 in. giant old gold. Unusual blooms face upward from strong stems and petals cascade down around stem. A dahlia show all by itself .....	.30	.25
<b>Mother Koenig</b> (ID) 10 in. blooms of shrimp pink blending to yellow at the center. Very large and showy .....	.30	.25
<b>Mrs. Geo. LeBoutillier</b> (ID) 12 in. red that is among the largest and most vigorous dahlias grown. Very easy to grow maximum blooms without disbudding .....	.14	
<b>Pink Giant</b> (ID) 10 in. rich tyrian pink that is choice for show and decorative purposes. Fine bush and stem .....	.25	.21
<b>Prince of Persia</b> (FD) 10 in. bright scarlet, growing out of healthy, medium bush. Richness of color is very striking .....	.25	.21
<b>Rev. Pugh</b> (ID) 12 in. bright pure orange that is outstanding for its size and richness of color. Heavy bloomer .....	.35	.30



CLARA CARDER



MRS. GEO. LeBOUTILLIER

<b>Royal Pennant</b> (ID) 8 in. rich, royal purple that does not fade. Though not ideal for cutting the stems are long and wiry.....	.25	.21
<b>Santa Clause</b> (ID) 8 in. bicolor of clear orange and white. A tall grower, this dahlia should be topped for best results.....	.25	.21
<b>Sellwood Glory</b> (FD) 8 in. blooms that are in a color class aside from any other dahlia. Color is wine to purple with speckles and blotches of white suffusing to a white tip. Reverse of petals has a definite silver sheen. Introduced in 1949, it received practically all awards available.....	.75	Net
<b>September</b> (ID) 10 in. blooms of rich tangerine orange with soft scarlet suffusion, giving it a reddish autumn tone. Choice. A very rugged grower and easy to grow.....	.35	.30
<b>Sydney</b> (ID) 12 in. rose pink shaded, salmon with slight gold shadings at the base of the petals. Outstanding .....	.25	.21
<b>The Universe</b> (ID) 8 in. deep oxblood red on rather low bush .....	.22	.18
<b>Thomas Edison</b> (ID) 8 in. impressive blooms of stag-horn formation. Color is royal purple with an overall sheen .....	.25	.21
<b>Towers Empire</b> (ID) 10 in. blooms of old gold blending to apricot at the center. Lacy foliage and very choice .....	.30	.25
<b>Town Topic</b> (ID) 10 in. blooms of rich violet purple oftentimes having white tips. Tall and very vigorous .....	.22	.18
<b>Wind Lassie</b> (ID) 10 in. pure white that is the finest in its class that we have ever grown. Each petal of the giant ball shaped flowers is twisted at its tip and covered overall with a sheen that actually makes the bloom glisten. A wonderful stem and keeper when displayed .....	.35	.30

# Cactus Dahlias

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of 25	Ea. in lots of 100
<b>Andries Orange</b> (C) 4 in. clear orange that is choice for floral arranging. Dainty and an outstanding keeper.....	.22	.18
<b>Animoto</b> (C) 4 in. shell pink that is often used for borders due to its comparatively low growing habits.....	.22	.18
<b>Bali</b> (C) 6 in. clear salmon cactus with fine stems and keeping qualities. Bush is medium and vigorous.....	.25	.21
<b>Ballay Rouge</b> (IC) 10 in. blooms of rich red. Flower is full and regular for a bloom of its size. Very choice.....	.50	.45
<b>Comtesse</b> (C) 5 in. rose pink cutflower with slight orchid shadings. A fine keeper, produced on good stem.....	.22	.18
<b>Consul Gen. Quist</b> (C) 10 in. Color is ivory to cream blended to delicate shades of pink at the center. Very pastel and a favorite for all who see it. Very delicate.....	.50	.45
<b>Dubonnet</b> (C) 4 in. deep ruby red cutflower.....	.22	.18
<b>Enkharts Prima</b> (C) 10 in. blooms of rich apricot with the center one-third of the bloom a clear yellow. Unusual.....	.40	.35
<b>Faithful</b> (SC) 10 in. blooms of pure white on very strong and vigorous bush.....	.30	.25
<b>Figaro</b> (SC) 10 in. golden yellow flecked and penciled red. Flowers are very large and bush is quite low.....	.25	.21
<b>Frau O'Bracht</b> (C) 10 in. clear sulphur yellow. A very easy flower to grow to size without special attention.....	.25	.21
<b>Hestia</b> (C) 4 in. peach cutflower with a deeper center. A very delicate bloom and a heavy producer. Early.....	.22	.18
<b>Jane Lausche</b> (SC) 10 in. cactus of rosy mauve with outer one-third of each petal tipped white.....	.30	.25
<b>Lombaerts Violet</b> (C) 4 in. pure violet cutflower. A natural low grower that produces from early in the season.....	.25	.21
<b>Mary Taylor</b> (C) 8 in. taffy yellow suffused phlox pink. A very lacy and delicate dahlia for cutting.....	.25	.21
<b>Miss Glory</b> (IC) 10 in. lush lemon yellow cactus. Vigorous bush produces many blooms well out of the foliage.....	.25	.21
<b>Mithra</b> (C) 8 in. burnt orange cactus with yellow blend to center and on reverse. Very full and ideal for cutting.....	.35	.30
<b>Mme. Juissant</b> (C) 8 in. Bishops violet with slight tint of silver throughout. A very delicate cutflower.....	.25	.21
<b>Mother Ballego</b> (C) 8 in. One of the most striking recent imports from Holland. Color is rich scarlet.....	.40	.35
<b>Mrs. E. J.</b> (C) 6 in. florist's gem. Rich pink to white at the center. Very lacelike and full. Fine stems.....	.35	.30
<b>Mustang</b> (C) 10 in. bright pink, straight cactus of exceptional form and quality. Bush is very full and branching with the giant blooms held well above on canelike stems.....	.25	.21



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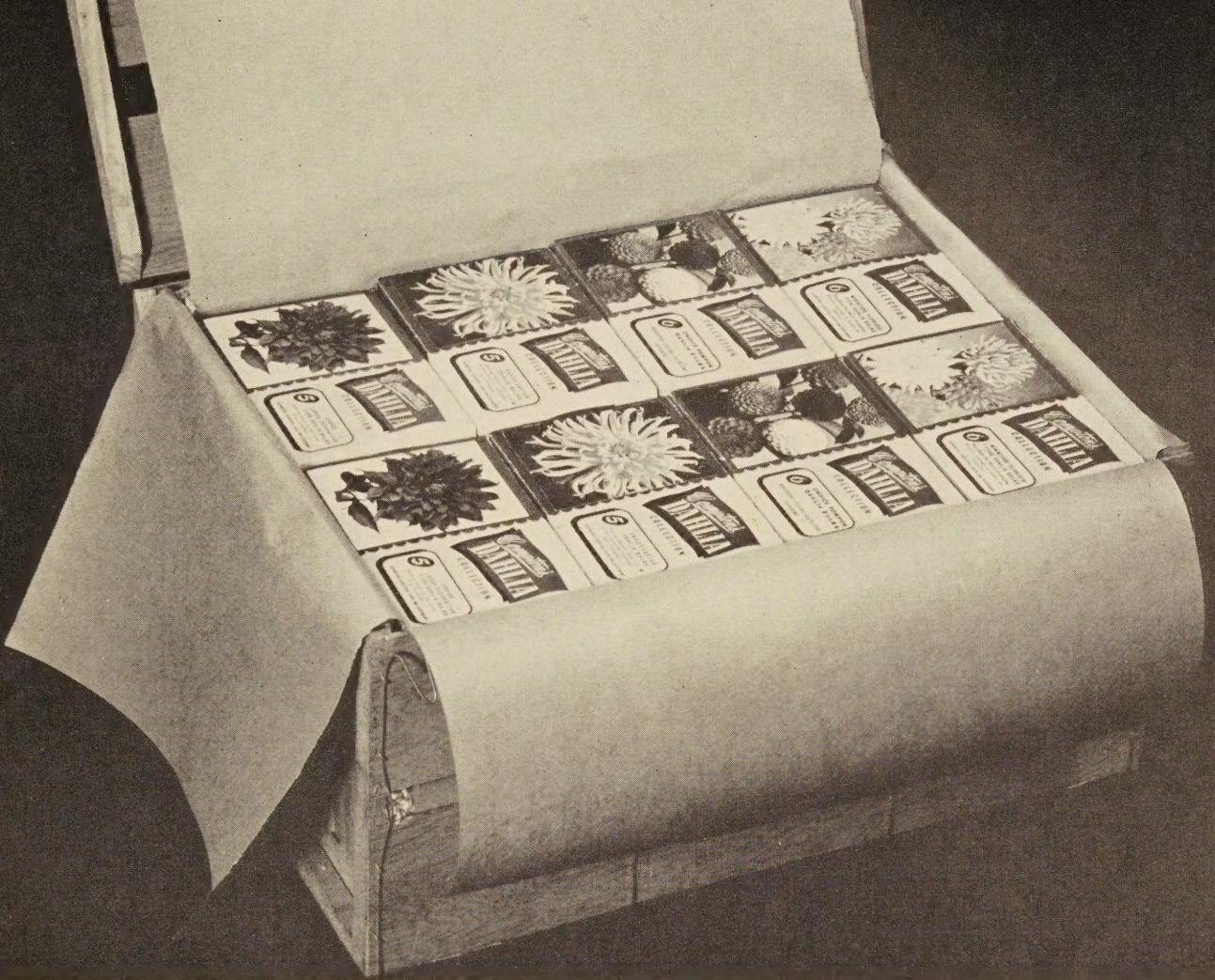
VARIETY	Ea. in lots of 25	Ea. in lots of 100
<b>Nagels Orange</b> (C) 6 in. soft orange cutflower. The clear tone and fine stem make this a choice for arrangements.....	.25	.21
<b>Oakleigh Champion</b> (IC) 10 in. blooms of burnt orange and soft pink with lemon yellow shadings. Has won many trial ground awards. Laciniated petals.....	.30	.25
<b>Paul Pfister</b> (C) 8 in. delicate pastel pink with an overlay of ivory and a touch of lilac to the center.....	.25	.21
<b>Roselyn Straight</b> (SC) 10 in. blooms with a general appearance of deep apricot yellow shaded and streaked scarlet. Long, strong stems hold the blooms well. Outstanding.....	.30	.25
<b>Sheik</b> (C) 6 in. rich lilac rose cactus that is naturally a low grower. Center is very pastel. Cutflower.....	.25	.21
<b>Skyrocket</b> (C) 10 in. blooms of clear vermillion red. A very strong grower producing many giant show blooms.....	.35	.30
<b>St. Therese</b> (C) 5 in. pink to white spike cactus. A very outstanding dahlia and among the finest from Holland.....	.35	.30
<b>Taiyo</b> (IC) 8 in. striking bicolor of deepest oxblood red and black to tips of pure white. Very showy.....	.25	.21
<b>Thistledown</b> (C) 6 in. pure white cactus with a blend to ivory at the center. Very delicate with lacy foliage.....	.25	.21
<b>Yellow Spiral</b> (IC) 8 in. deep yellow with artistically twisted petal arrangement. Massive bushes.....	.30	.25
<b>Yellow Special</b> (C) 6 in. primrose yellow of fine cutting quality. Bush and stem are excellent for cut-flower uses.....	.25	.21

# Miniature, Ball and Waterlily

VARIETY	25 Ea.	100 in lots of
<b>Baby Fonteneau</b> (FD) 3 in. delicate rose cutflower. Bush is very massive and produces heavily.....	.22	.18
<b>Fairy</b> (ID) 3 in. lavender pink. Full flowers in abundance on a medium bush. Open grower.....	.22	.18
<b>Fuzzy Wuzzy</b> (FD) 3 in. blooms of apricot yellow suffused begonia rose with laciniated petals. Nice cut-flower .....	.25	.21
<b>Gerrie Hoeck</b> (Waterlily) 4 in. rich pink to the center, becoming very pastel to the outer edges. Among the very popular for dainty floral arranging.....	.25	.21
<b>Goldfazen</b> (FD) 5 in. A very striking color combination of rich rust red with gold spatter, becoming solid color to the center. Long, strong stems and ideal for autumn.....	.22	.18
<b>Granite Falls</b> (Collarette). Rich red with cream florets .....	.22	.18
<b>Helly Boudewijn</b> (Waterlily) 4 in. pure white that is ideal for wedding basket work. Long, strong stems .25	.25	.21
<b>I.K.E.</b> (FD) 4 in. deep ruby red on long wirelike stems. Very massive bush produces many blooms.....	.25	.21
<b>Little Red Bird</b> (Ball) 3 in. bright scarlet red on low bush .....	.22	.18
<b>Little Wisteria</b> (FD) 4 in. compact blooms of white with an overall flush of orchid. Bush is very prolific .25	.25	.21
<b>Orchid Lady</b> (FD) 4 in. deep lavender on tall, massive bush .....	.22	.18
<b>Queen of Yellows</b> (Ball) 3 in. vivid yellow ball produced on a medium bush. Very heavy producer.....	.18	.16
<b>Tippy</b> (Ball) 4 in. stately honey yellow, tipped bronze with deeper center. Very open grower and ideal for cutting .....	.18	.16
<b>Waites Min. Jersey Beauty</b> (FD) 4 in. rose pink. Very profuse on a vigorous bush.....	.18	.16
<b>White Fawn</b> (FD) 4 in. clear white on medium compact bush. Blooms heavily from early in season.....	.16	.14

# Pompon Dahlias

VARIETY	25 Ea.	100 in lots of
<b>Amber Queen</b> Massive bush producing heavily from early in the season. Color is amber and deep gold....	.15	.13
<b>Arthur Kerley</b> Color is rich ruby red on wirelike stem. One of the most popular for cutting. Radiant color .....	.15	.13
<b>Bantam</b> A fine scarlet pom produced on very heavy bush .....	.15	.13
<b>Beccasine</b> Soft pink with just a tint of yellow at the base .....	.15	.13
<b>Betty Ann</b> Our finest clear pink. Blooms are small and very dainty, produced on a medium bush.....	.15	.13
<b>Catherine</b> A rather large pom. Color is sulphur yellow and is produced on a very massive and vigorous bush .....	.15	.13
<b>Doria</b> A small dusty maroon pom that is very contrasty with most any other dahlia that it is displayed with .....	.15	.13
<b>Gertrude</b> Medium sized pom produced on a medium to low bush. Color is a very intense blood red.....	.15	.13
<b>Honey</b> Rich honey yellow with a suffusion of red. One of the earliest bloomers in the garden. Bush is very profuse.....	.15	.13
<b>Joe Fette</b> We still have to find a better white. Fine bush and the flowers are perfect for cutting and display .....	.15	.13
<b>Lemon Gem</b> A neat little lemon yellow pom produced on a nice open bush with wirelike stems.....	.15	.13
<b>Libby Rohr</b> A most prolific reddish purple. Massive and tall bushes with fine stems for cutting.....	.15	.13
<b>Little David</b> A small soft orange pom on a rather low bush .....	.15	.13
<b>Little Mabel</b> Delicate rose to yellow. Very nice stems .15	.15	.13
<b>Mary Munns</b> A vigorous pom of clear, deep lavender. Bush is medium and massive.....	.15	.13
<b>Peggy Wood</b> A bicolor pom of orange and white. Striking .....	.15	.13
<b>Regent</b> Often considered the ideal in poms for its neat bush and bloom mass. Bloom is medium purple .15	.15	.13
<b>Takas Yellow</b> A very nice medium yellow pom. Good stem .....	.15	.13
<b>Tip Top</b> A rich raspberry red pom on medium to low bush .....	.15	.13
<b>Yellow Gem</b> Rich canary yellow pom that is ideal for use as a cutflower. Bush is massive and stems are long .....	.15	.13



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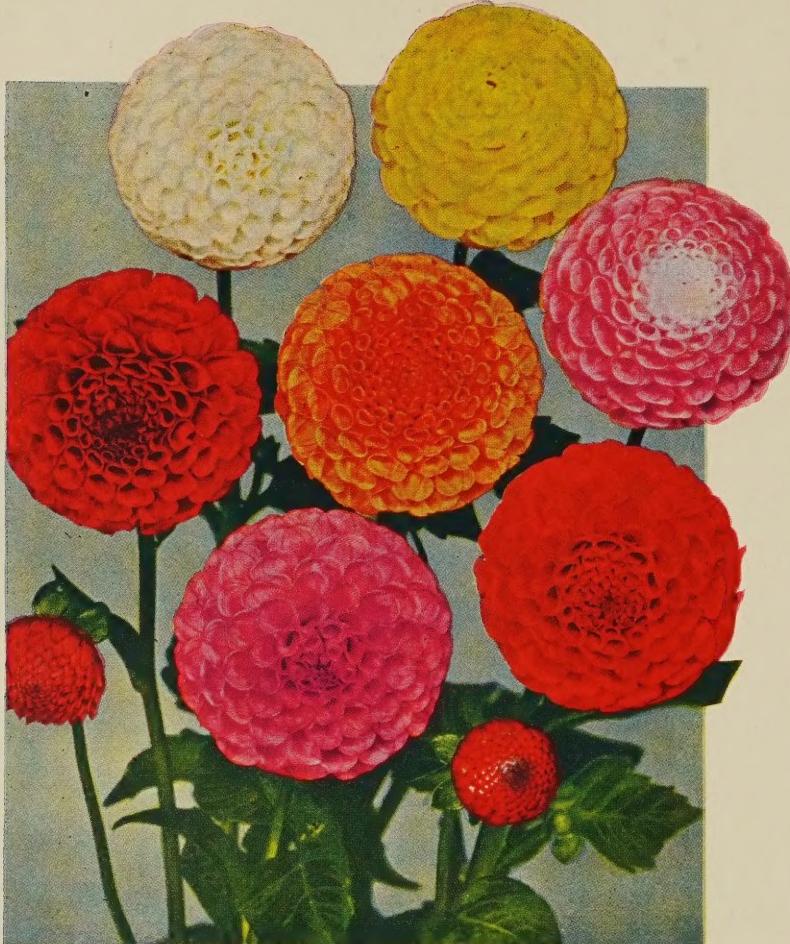
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